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Sir,

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136

The applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office action dated August 12, 2004 for two months from November 12, 2004 to January 12, 2005. Please charge the deposit account number 13-3860 of applicant's agent of record, in the amount of US\$ 225.00 (fee code 2252) to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action dated August 12, 2004, applicant submits the following Amendment for entry in the above-identified application.